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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims to read as follows:

1-47. Cancelled.

48. (Currently Amended) A method for eliciting in a host an antibody that recognizes

a plurality of Neisseria meningitidis immunotypes, said Neisseria meningitidis

immunotypes selected from the group consisting of L1, L3, L7, L8, L9, L10, L11,

and L12, comprising administering to said host an immunogenic composition,

said immunogenic composition comprising an inner core of a Neisseria

lipopolysaccharide (LPS), wherein a phosphoethanolamine moiety is linked to

position 3 of a HepII moiety of said inner core of a Neisseria LPS.

49. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 48, wherein said immunogenic

composition does not comprise an outer core of said Neisseria LPS.

50. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 48, wherein whereby said plurality of

Neisseria immunotypes comprises three or more of said Neisseria meningitidis

immunotypes.

51. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 48, wherein whereby said plurality of

Neisseria immunotypes comprises four or more of said Neisseria meningitidis

immunotypes.

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52. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 48, wherein whereby said plurality of

Neisseria immunotypes comprises five or more of said Neisseria meningitidis

immunotypes.

53. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 52, whereby wherein said plurality of

Neisseria immunotypes comprises all of said five or more Neisseria immunotypes

are selected from the group consisting of Neisseria meningitidis immunotypes-L1,

L3, L7, L8, L9, L10, L11, and L12.

54. Cancelled.

55. (Currently Amended) A method of immunizing a host against each of a plurality

of Neisseria meningitidis immunotypes, said Neisseria meningitidis immunotypes

selected from the group consisting of L1, L3, L7, L8, L9, L10, L11, and L12,

comprising administering to said host an immunogenic composition, said

immunogenic composition comprising an inner core of a Neisseria

lipopolysaccharide (LPS), wherein a phosphoethanolamine moiety is linked to

position 3 of a HepII moiety of said inner core of a Neisseria LPS.

56. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 55, wherein said immunogenic

composition does not comprise an outer core of said Neisseria LPS.

57. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 55, wherein said plurality of Neisseria

immunotypes comprises three or more of said Neisseria meningitidis

immunotypes.

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- 58. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 55, wherein said plurality of *Neisseria* immunotypes comprises four or more of said *Neisseria* meningitidis immunotypes.
- 59. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 55, wherein said plurality of *Neisseria* immunotypes comprises five or more of said *Neisseria* meningitidis immunotypes.
- 60. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 59, whereby-wherein said plurality of Neisseria immunotypes comprises all of said five or more Neisseria immunotypes are selected from the group consisting of Neisseria meningitidis immunotypes L1, L3, L7, L8, L9, L10, L11, and L12.
- 61. Cancelled.